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In re application of: Douglis et al.	§ 8	Group Art Unit: 2167
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For: Method and Apparatus for Data Redundancy Elimination at the Block Level

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final office action dated January 11, 2007 finally rejecting claims 1-3, 7-15, 17-20 and 24-34.

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